ACTIVITIES AT THE HOTEL

Sunday Brunch

Saturday Banquet

Friday Buffet Dinner

Hyatt San Jose

Courtyard Leisure

Hospitality Room
The San Jose Hyatt Hotel, situated on 17 acres of property, offered a resort-like atmosphere with large courtyards and lush landscaping. Located in the courtyards were a number of interesting focal points such as a gazebo, a restored horse-drawn carriage, several fountains, pools stocked with colorful fish, a very large swimming pool, numerous stone benches in areas ideal for reading or meditating and tables and chairs for small groups to congregate and pass the time of day. Located off the courtyard was a fitness room with treadmills and other exercise equipment. The hotel lobby and guest-room hallways showcased statuary and many beautiful paintings hanging on the walls. A light-rail system that offered a rapid trip to downtown San Jose could be boarded just across the street from the hotel. This was truly an ideal location for the Reunion event.
MORE LEISURE TIME

Jack and June Tunnell and Dick and Joanne Kurkowski

Governor’s House (Hospitality Room)

Exercise In Room of Mirrors

A Little Solitude

What Kind of Camera is That?
The Hospitality Room was conveniently located in the Governor’s House adjacent to the courtyard and a large NACA banner near the entrance identified it. The room served as the hub of Reunion activities and services. These included registration and badging, providing general information and answers to questions, complimentary refreshments, and a place to congregate and meet with others in free time. The room was quite large and any overflow could easily spill out to the courtyard patio area by the pool.
MORE HOSPITALITY ROOM ACTIVITY

Time to Reminisce

What’s in the Box?

Go Over There and Turn Left

Lot’s of Conversations
The Friday Buffet Dinner was served in the Woodside Room. It was preceded by a no-host hospitality hour on the courtyard patio. Diners could eat either in the Woodside Room or outside in shirtsleeve weather on the adjacent poolside patio. The menu for the event is shown to the right. An unbelievable event occurred during the cocktail hour. The Great Grandniece of Orville and Wilbur Wright, Janette Davis Yoerg, who had just checked into the hotel, saw the NACA signs and immediately stopped by our group to see what was happening. She was in the San Jose area to help her father, who was with her, make a move to Ohio. Of course, we invited both of them to be our guests at dinner. During ensuing conversation we found that her son is planning to write a book about how strongly the Wright Brothers, especially Orville, felt about the importance of aeronautical research to this country. It is not widely known that Orville Wright was a member of the NACA Committee for about 28 years beginning in 1920. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the event and lingering conversations lasted well into the evening.

MENU

SALADS
- Diced Seasonal Fresh Fruit Salad
- Caesar Salad
- Tossed Garden Greens with Italian, Ranch and Vinaigrette Dressings

ENTRÉE
- Chicken Picatta
- London Broil

Includes
- Rice Pilaf
- Fresh Herb Red Roasted Potatoes
- Seasonal Vegetables
- Fresh Rolls and Butter

DESSERT
- Carrot Cake
- New York Cheesecake

BEVERAGES
- Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Bigelow Herbal Teas and Iced Tea
FRIDAY BUFFET DINNER

People Were Thirsty
So the Bartender Made Money

Everyone Gathered for Dinner and
Enjoyed the Company

Kitty Haugh, Jack Boyd, Ekky Levy,
Stu and Lyn Treon

A Happy Group Following Up On
The Winery Tour

Looks Like a Serious
Conversation
FRIDAY BUFFET DINNER

Smile (or laugh) at the Birdie

That Was Good - Now What?

Nick Vojvodic was the Tallest

Serious Conversation Afterwards

Now, the way I See It
The Saturday night Banquet was held in the Mediterranean Ballroom at the hotel. It was preceded by a no-host cocktail hour in the Ballroom foyer. Concurrent with the cocktail hour, a photographer took pictures of each attendee for use in this album. The menu for the Banquet is shown on the next page. Special touches for table settings were a 4-page Banquet Program at each place setting as well as wine glasses specially inscribed for the event. Bottles of wine from the Cooper-Garrod Estate Vineyards had custom labels made for the occasion.

Invited guests were the Director of Ames, Scott Hubbard, and his wife Susan. Scott was the featured after dinner speaker. He spoke about past and future directions for Ames. Scott concluded by showing a 26 minute movie entitled “On The Shoulders Of Giants” The movie documented the history of Ames from 1939 to 2001. It featured many scenes of past NACA research and featured a number of former NACA “technical giants” reminiscing in their own words.
Menu

Regency Salad
Romaine and Iceberg Lettuce, Mandarin Oranges and Sliced Almonds
Hone Sesame Dressing

Entrees:

Prime Rib of Beef
A Hearty Cut of Slow Roasted
Choice Prime Rib with Au Jus
Served with a Herb Buttered Yukon Gold Potato

Grilled Salmon
Fresh Salmon Fillet With a Citrus, Herb Sauce
Served With Rice Pilaf

Pasta Primavera
Fettuccine Pasta
And a Medley of Fresh Vegetables
Tossed Lightly in a Garlic Cream Sauce

Tiramisu
Two Layers of Light Sponge Cake Soaked with Coffee, Liquor and
100% Mascarpone Cheese
Topped with Cocoa Powder and Chocolate Cigars

Dinner Wines

1999 Cabernet Sauvignon, Lone Oak Vineyard
2001 Chardonnay, Gravel Ridge Vineyard

Meal Tickets Were Individualized
With Badge Number
BANQUET

Chairman Vic Peterson
Opening Remarks

Ames’ Scott Hubbard
Featured Speaker

Susan and Scott Hubbard, Helen Robinson,
Jo Dibella and Winnie Boyd

Part of Large Group From Lewis

Ready to Eat
Milton Van Dyke
And Eleanor Holt

Dick Geye, Jack Norris, Harold Finger, and Ray Standahar

Look! I Won the Centerpiece

Engineers Are Always At It

Jo Dibella Says “Let’s Go”
The Sunday morning Brunch was served in the Woodside Room. Despite being out late the night before, nearly 150 people convened on the patio in shirt-sleeve weather well before the 9 am serving time. The menu included sliced fresh fruits, ham, scrambled eggs, apple crepes, breakfast potatoes, danish pastries, orange juice and, of course, coffee and tea. There was a noticeable reluctance to bid farewell to friends and colleagues when it came time to return to the world of everyday living.

A Long Serving Table Was At Each End of the Room. The Views Out the Window Were Great, Too.

Guy Thibodaux Asks - “How Would You Like to go to Hawaii?”

There Was No Shortage of Conversation

Well, “What Should We Do Next?”

Jacquie Peterson - Don’t Forget Feedback Forms
SUNDAY BRUNCH

19 Tables Set For Brunch

Another View of the Diners

More of the Big Group

The Food Was Tasty